

From The Editor's Window

The extended cold weather has left behind many cases of influenza, which was not unexpected...

Palo Pinto is soon to have a new courthouse. The present one, after about sixty years of service...

The story is going the rounds that Actor George Brent has received an offer of marriage (this is leap year, you know) from a 27-year-old lady living in Shanghai, China...

Another new field for laborers has been opened up in West Texas. This time, it is the mining of a 310-acre deposit of volcanic ash near Snyder, in Scurry county...

It is said that when beer was backed up from a brewery and through some accident found its way through a water main in an Illinois city recently...

It seems that North and South America are having trouble trying to convince the warring nations that we have a peace zone over here and just where such a zone is situated...

We noticed in the papers this week that a regular sing-song has recently been established at Monahan, headed by prominent men of the town...

MRS. STELLA SMITH WAS ELECTED AS MANAGER OF THE NEW BAIRD HOSPITAL

The board of directors of the Callahan County hospital met last Saturday and elected Mrs. Stella Smith as manager...

Mrs. Orme, the superintendent, came to Baird about three years ago from Fort Worth, and has been connected with the Griggs hospital ever since she came to Baird.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS MOVING SUBSCRIPTIONS UP TO JANUARY, 1941

We have had a number of people in the last few days to come in and pay up their subscriptions one year in advance...

J. A. Yarbrough, Cisco route 1; J. E. Wood, Moran route 2; O. D. Allen, Putnam; O. W. Culwell, Putnam; A. D. Dódd, Dimmitt; G. A. Caraway, Putnam; U. L. Lowry, Putnam; Mark Sherwin, Putnam; Elbert Clemer, Putnam; L. M. Scroggins, Baird; H. A. Pruet; Putnam; A. H. Nelson, Putnam; Mrs. Geo. Anthony, Canyon.

LIVESTOCK SHOW AT ABILENE WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FEB. 14-15

ABILENE, Feb. 1.—With entries already received from F. F. A. and 4-H club members of seven of the 13 counties eligible to show in the West Central Texas Livestock Show in Abilene...

UNION DEMONSTRATION CLUB MET JANUARY 24

The Union Home Demonstration Club met at the club house Wednesday, January 24, but on account of bad weather, there were only six members present.

CALLAHAN COUNTY FAT STOCK SHOW TO BE ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

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PROGRAM

Workers Conference of Callahan Missionary Baptist Association meeting with the Cross Plains Baptist church, 10:00 a. m., February 6, 1940. Theme: "Debt Paying." 10 a. m.—Devotional songs and praise service, by Mr. R. P. Adams, Clyde.

Judge B. L. Russell, B. C. Christman and Mrs. Vada Bennett were in Putnam Saturday attending the Mobley funeral.

The number of points in deer entlers has little or nothing to do with the age of the deer, according to Texas Game department biologists.

MRS. C. L. PECK DIES AT CLYDE FRIDAY, JAN. 26

Mrs. C. L. Peck died at her home in Clyde Friday afternoon, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Peck was 80 years old and had been a resident of Callahan County since 1903.

J. C. SIMPSON CHARGED WITH DRUNK DRIVING; RELEASED ON \$500 BOND

J. C. Simpson, a gunman of Roby, Fisher county, was filled on for drunk driving at Baird last Wednesday by state patrolmen Capt. Hutchinson and Sgt. Ed Posey of Abilene.

GRIGGS HOSPITAL

W. W. Ross of Rowden was a surgery patient last Friday. He is doing nicely. James Ray, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Eather, of Brookshire, is a medical patient and entered hospital Saturday for treatment.

COTTON PRODUCTION INCREASED BY 1,155 BALES OVER 1936

Census report, as given out by J. H. Shrafer, shows that 2,521 bales of cotton were ginned in Callahan County from the 1939 crop up to January 16, as compared with 1,356 for the same period in 1938.

SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE THREE DOLLARS MORE FROM STATE BY FEB. 20

The one dollar payment by the state treasurer made a total of \$1,549,527 paid on the apportionment for the 1939-40 school year. This payment completed a six dollar payment on the current \$22 per capita apportionment.

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TEXAS & PACIFIC LETS CONTRACT TO REBUILD BAIRD LAKE WASHED OUT

The Texas & Pacific railway let the contract last week at Dallas for the re-building of the lake one mile east of Baird, which washed out last spring, to the Gifford-Hill Construction company.

O. B. FEATHERSTONE GROWS THE LARGEST HOG, WEIGHING 740 POUNDS

According to a news story from Coleman, O. B. Featherstone goes the honor of bringing in one of the largest hogs for cold storage that has been in Coleman county in many years.

REPRESENTATIVE BURKETT WAS IN PUTNAM SATURDAY

Representative O. H. Burkett, of the 107th district, composed of Eastland and Callahan counties, was in Putnam Saturday afternoon, attending the funeral of I. G. Mobley.

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LOCAL STUDENTS ATTEND SPEECH TOURNAMENT

Cross Plains Truck Growers Association entertained local speech students and coach, Mary Lou Eubank, Dorothy June Kelly, Louise Lambly, Lenox Byrd, James Kennedy and R. F. Webb, superintendent, Saturday, in the First Annual Truck Growers Speech Tournament.

SUICIDE IS VERDICT IN YOUTH'S DEATH

ABILENE, Feb. 1 (Sp).—Justice of the Peace Theo Ash today entered a verdict of suicide in the death of Coyal Conpton, 27, who was found dead of monoxide poisoning Monday morning in a parked car.

METHODISTS LAY PLANS FOR REVIVAL DURING THE EASTLEK SEASON

The local Methodist church will hold a revival meeting during the Easter season, with the pastor, Rev. J. Morris Bailey, doing the preaching. Revival services will begin on Sunday, March 17, and close on Easter Sunday, March 24.

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The Lord is good unto them that wait for Him, to the soul that seeketh Him. Because Thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of Thy wings will I rejoice.—Lam. iii. 25; Ps. xlii. 7.

Thou hast made us for thyself—
Made us for thyself, O God!
Made for thy love, thy service, thy delight;
Made to show forth thy wisdom, grace and might;
Made for thy praise, Oh, strange and glorious thought,
That we may be a joy to thee!

Lenses and Liberty

THE news camera is playing a part—an important part—in recording the history of our times. Not only freedom to speak and to print are important these days—freedom to record photographically the passing of events is also important.

That is why we think delegates to the United Mine Workers' convention at Columbus were wrong when they seized newsmen's cameras, tore out and destroyed their plates, when the cameramen had made "shots" of the communist flag which suddenly appeared above President Lewis' head.

These delegates were fearful that something discreditable to their union might be recorded; they acted hastily and unthinkingly. Had they paused to think they might have thought like this: what if the picture

had been one which might reflect on a coal company or a steel company, and deputies or guards had similarly manhandled the cameramen and their pictures? Why, the unions would be first to raise a cry of "censorship" and high-handedness. That is no conjecture. It has often happened.

The incident of the communist flag was evidently an ill-conceived and stupid prank on somebody's part. It reflected no discredit on the union. But the destruction of newsmen's equipment and the suppression of picture records of a convention of great and legitimate public interest reflects discredit on the union in a way which the pictures themselves could never have done.

Watching Politicians

A GROUP of New York citizens has organized to watch political maneuvers in the coming elections. The body calls itself the Independent Committee on Political Techniques. Among its aims is to guarantee that politics will be honest.

Sincere citizens who take their franchise seriously will applaud the motives of the New York committee. The movement sponsored by the group is one that could be put to advantageous use in other communities. Most voters are interested in honesty, not alone in the financial kind but in moral honesty. They are interested in the things their candidates say, in the charges they make and the promises they fling about.

Politics is not the God-given grant of a select few. It is a heritage to be shared by everyone in the community. A group earnestly desiring to keep political figures in line can be a decided asset wherever it may spring up.

A British magistrate advocates a plan to permit offenders to serve prison terms on week-ends. If it catches on here, a lot of people will be slipping up the river instead of down to the seashore on Saturdays.

Finns Camouflage Portable First Aid Stations



Even Red Cross field dressing stations must be camouflaged against air attack under rules of present-day warfare. This exclusive picture from the S-Ila front was taken by Eric Calcraft, NEA staff cameraman accompanying the Finnish forces in the north.

CASTOR BEAN EXPERT FORUM SPEAKER SOON

M. D. L. Van Over, of Patterson, N. J., foremost authority in the nation on the castor bean industry, will be the speaker for the next forum of the Cisco chamber of commerce, it was announced Monday. Mr. Van Over, of the Woburn Degreasing company of New Jersey, one of the busiest men in American industry today, is conducting vast projects in castor bean planting in the Rio Grande valley, centering at Brownsville; on the lower Trinity river watershed; in Florida and at other places. Production is well under way in Florida, where the Woburn interests have large plants for the manufacture of drying oils, insecticides, rope and various other products from the castor bean, and at Brownsville.

Optional Dates
He will be in Cisco on Friday evening, February 16, or the following Saturday evening, the optional dates having been fixed to accommodate his program. A definite date will be set within a short time. P. A. Butler, president of the chamber of commerce,

and H. H. Monk, chairman of the forum committee of the chamber, visited him yesterday at Dallas, where arrangements for his visit to Cisco were made. Dr. Gilbert C. Wilson, professor of chemistry at North Texas State Teachers college, who is working closely with Mr. Van Over in connection with the Woburn company's Texas projects, was largely instrumental in securing Mr. Van Over's consent to come to Cisco for a survey of agricultural conditions in this area and a meeting with farmers and business men from this and neighboring communities.

"The Woburn company has nothing to sell," Mr. Van Over made clear. "We are interested in the best production of the castor bean to provide our industry with raw materials. There is no magic in this. The castor bean will not bring overnight prosperity. Simply because the ordinary, wild variety of castor bean has grown in your country does not mean that the commercial production of the bean will be a success. Production of the plant for its oil alone is not successful. There are five principal products and it is necessary to utilize three of these, including the oil, before the culture is a success. There are problems to be solved, just as there are problems to be solved in the cultivation of any new crop. But, if the farmers and landowners are interested, the castor bean can be grown profitably in your country and we are willing to work hard with them to develop the crop."

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May Lose Spouse 4 Times Her Age



Month-old marriage of Dolores Valenzuela, 15, above, to John Wells, 62, is headed for dissolution by courts in El Paso, Tex. Dolores said she became acquainted with Wells, a deaf mute on WPA, while he was courting her mother.

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Mr. Van Over, "that the farmer who produces the castor bean is entitled to the same income upon what he has invested as industry is entitled to on its investment in processing and marketing. Thus, if we make a certain per cent of our capital, the farmer growing the crop must make the same per cent of profit on his investment in land, equipment and labor."

Van Over told the Cisco representatives that there is now a market for a 5,000,000-acre crop in the United States and that prospective acreage represents only a small percentage of this. He plans to be in Cisco early enough to make a tour of the section here, to meet with farmers and business men from various communities to discuss the industry and its possibilities and then to appear at the dinner that evening.

"This is not a subject that can be treated in 45 minutes," he said. "I will come prepared to go into the question thoroughly. They can throw everything, at me but the furniture. I'll be ready with the answers, and I'll talk bluntly. This is a business matter and we haven't time for any misapprehensions or misunderstandings."

Van Over said that a minimum of 12,000 acres is essential to make a project worth while. It is planned to conduct a variety of test plantings in various soils in this area, closely supervised by agricultural leaders and Woburn experts, and on the basis of these tests to determine the feasibility of the crop and the varieties of the bean which will produce best. There are many

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DOTHAN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Smith of Breckenridge were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Les Lee, and Mr. Lee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Lindsey and children visited friends in Etrawn Sunday.

Les Lee and Bill McKinney attended the auction sale in Cisco Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Pearl Donaway of Moran was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Donaway, last week-end.

V. O. Lindsey is ill with pneumonia this week.

J. L. Lippen, who has been ill the past week, is now recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Burton and children of Moran were the guests of Mrs. Beulah Burton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Camp were Cisco visitors Saturday.

Henry Blue and Miss Agnes Burton of Moran were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Les Lee Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Steve Kirby of Cisco was the guest of Mrs. V. O. Lindsey Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lambright visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lambright Monday evening.

varieties, most of them developed by Mr. Van Over and his scientists. He will bring with him to Cisco the beans requested for planting here, he said.

Invitations will be sent to farmers and business men from towns and communities within a wide radius of Cisco to attend the forum, it was announced.

TEXAS FARM INCOME FOR 1939 REACHES \$502,157,030

AUSTIN, Feb. 1.—When supplemented by approximately \$100,000,000 in federal subsidies, cash income of Texas farmers for 1939 reached some \$502,157,000, or \$30,000,000 above 1938, Dr. F. A. Buechel, University of Texas agricultural economist, said today.

Actual revenue from production of crops and livestock, however, was a million and a half dollars less than during 1938. The 1938 federal subsidy totaled only \$69,000,000.

Income during December dropped a million dollars below December, 1938, and more than five million dollars below the December average for the five-year period from 1928 to 1932, Dr. Buechel said.

Cathay is the old name for China.

Political Announcements

The Putnam News is authorized to announce the following candidates for the respective offices, subject to the primaries.

For County Sheriff: C. R. NORDYKE

For District Clerk: RAYMOND YOUNG

For County Treasurer: MRS. WILL MCCOY

For County Assessor and Collector: B. O. BRAME

For County Clerk: MRS. S. E. SETTLE

For Commissioner Precinct No. 3: O. D. ALLEN

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TEXAS POULTRY IS 45 MILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 1 (Sp). — Poultry production in Texas is a \$45,000,000 industry. A check-up of figures from the USDA of agricultural economics and the bureau of census shows that poultry ranks fourth as a source of agricultural income in Texas, behind cotton, beef cattle, and dairying, but ahead of hogs, horses, mules, sheep and goats, wheat, oats, grain sorghum, rice, peanuts, potatoes, onions, pecans and citrus.

Cotton brings in around \$125,000,000, beef cattle \$109,000,000, dairy products \$80,000,000, hogs \$30,000,000, sheep, both wool and lambs, \$30,000,000, goats \$7,000,000, mules \$6,500,000 and horses \$4,000,000.

Texas ranks first in the United States in turkey production and fifth in chicken production, including eggs. "Poultry in Texas is a \$45,000,000 industry and still growing," George P. McCarthy, poultry husbandman of the Texas A. & M. college extension service, commented. "Back in 1912 we ranked down in seventh place."

A break down of the poultry business shows that eggs brought in \$30,182,000; poultry meats, including turkeys, \$13,619,000; and miscellaneous items, including ducks, geese, turkey hatching eggs, breeding stock, etc., came to \$6,199,000.

PLANS FOR BEEF CATTLE DAY ADVANCED

Several hundred feeders and breeders of beef cattle from all of Eastland county are expected to attend the beef cattle day at the Mitcham ranch on Thursday, February 15, according to Elmo V. Cook, county agent, who reported that plans for the day's program are rapidly being completed.

Out-of-county speakers who will appear on the program are Dr. I. B. Boughton, veterinarian, Sonora experiment station, A. L. Smith, A. & M. extension beef cattle specialist, and R. R. Lancaster, A. & M. extension pasture specialist. Another feature of the program will be several practical demonstrations of beef cattle management. G. P. Mitcham, Jr., and M. E. Genrick, who is managing the 7,500-acre Mitcham ranch, will demonstrate the latest methods of dehorning. G. P. Mitcham, Sr., will demonstrate how he selects breeding animals for his foundation herd, and Arthur C. Pratt, assistant county agent, will give a demonstration of fitting and showing beef calves.

Following the demonstrations will be a tour of the ranch where creep feeding of calves, feeding of minerals with the salt, erthen tanks, and prickly pear eradication will be inspected.

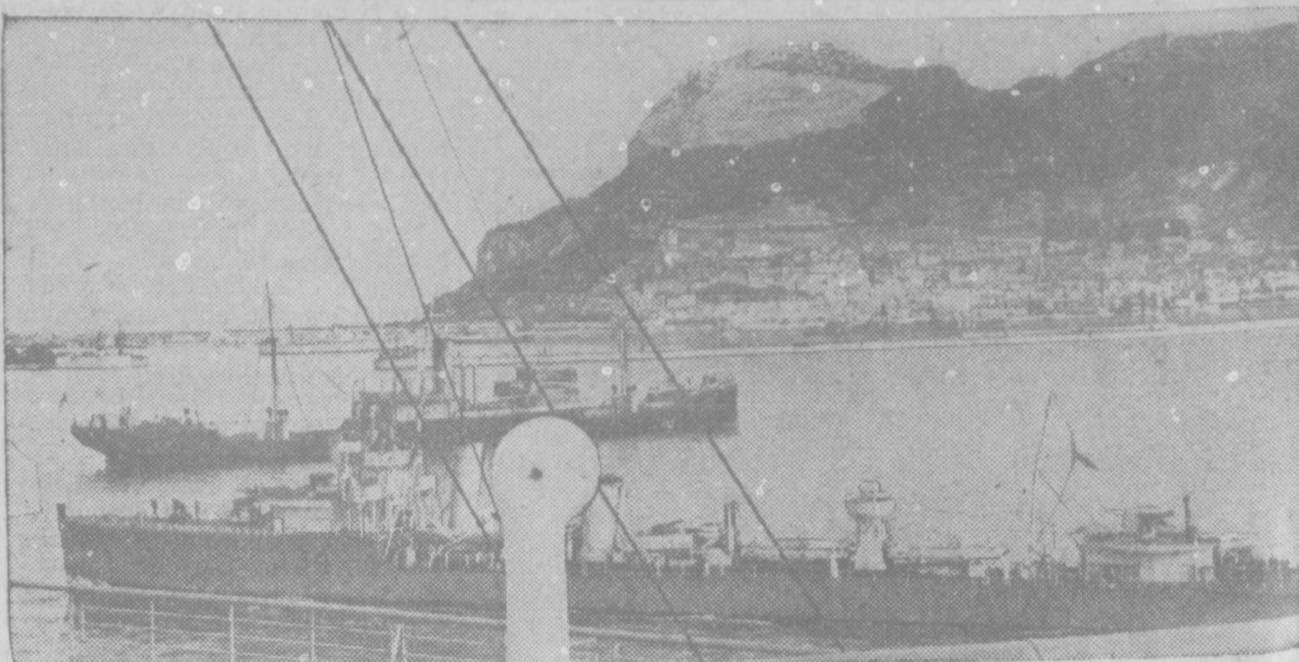
The program will start at 10 a. m. and will end about the middle of the afternoon. Basket lunches will be spread at noon.

Mallard ducks are efficient as a mosquito control agency, Texas Game department biologists say. They eliminate most of the larvae of the insect, even from the most badly infested places.

Drop your matches in melted paraffin if you want to be sure to have water-proof fire sticks on that next hunting or fishing trip.

Fish sleep with their eyes wide open.

British Warships 'Captures' U. S. Liner



Interference with American shipping by British that brought sharp protests from Washington is portrayed in this photo, snapped from the deck of the American luxury liner Manhattan. It shows the British destroyer D-34, which stopped the Manhattan at sea and forced her into Gibraltar harbor for British Contraband control search.

Doctors Fix Up Nova for New Drive



Max Baer, whom he stopped last summer, finds Lou Nova coming along nicely in Woodland, Calif., clinic. Nova is recovering from bladder infection, the aftermath of blood poisoning suffered three years ago. Physicians say Nova, knocked out by Tony Galento in September, may resume fighting in 1940.

PLAN DISCUSSION SOIL CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION

Plans for elections in the near future to determine whether or not the landowners of Eastland county wish to establish a soil conservation district under the state soil conservation law will be made at a meeting of the county soil conservation advisory committee at Eastland Saturday at 2 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the office of County Agent Elmo V. Cook.

The committee, at the same time, will elect a chairman and a delegate to the district convention.

The county's application for approval as a soil conservation district already has been filed and the district approved by the state

and federal agencies as to need.

Approval as to beginning of the program, which is entirely optional with all landowners even after authorized in election and by the conservation authorities, will await the action of the landowners in voting. Roughly the district coincides with the Leon watershed in this area.

The committee, already elected by the landowners of the county, is composed of L. H. Hagaman of Ranger, P. M. Roach of Rising Star and N. C. Ramsey of Cisco. A committeeman to represent Precinct No. 2 will be elected before the meeting Saturday.

Wild Guineas, recently imported into Texas by the game department from Cuba, are all white meat.

CLEVELAND 5 FLOWS THROUGH 6-INCH PIPE

The Cleveland No. 5 Ellenberger producer brought in by Hickok Producing and Development company in the deep oil area north-west of Cisco, unexpectedly flowed through the six-inch casing Thursday.

The well, put on pump for lack of gas to flow it naturally, pumped 210 barrels on 24-hour potential test. It was shut in after the surprise flow Thursday had drenched location with oil. Agitation by the pump helped to cause the flow.

The well, bottomed at 4,010 feet, is 14 feet in Ellenberger pay.

TEXAS BUILDING PERMITS INCREASE OVER THOSE OF '38

AUSTIN, Jan. 31.—Despite a relatively quiet December, Texas boosted its 1939 building operations considerably above those of the preceding year, the University of Texas bureau of business research announced today.

Building permits issued during December in 39 Texas cities reported to the bureau by their chambers of commerce, dropped 14.3 per cent from November, and 27.8 per cent from December, 1938, but total permits for the year surpassed those of 1938 by 13.4 per cent.

Prickly pear, or any other hard-to-get-should-of cactus sticker can easily be removed with adhesive tape. Press a piece firmly over the sticker, then remove. The stickers will come off with the tape.

Coyotes, symbol of the west, are howling in the state of Maine. Several have been captured.

George Washington vetoed two bills during his presidency.

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INTERCONNECTED SYSTEM PREVENTS SHORTAGE AS LINE BREAKS DURING COLD

In the midst of the coldest recent day, facing the greatest demand for gas service in 37 years, Lone Star Gas Company's pipe line from the Panhandle to Petro- la flipped wide open, company officials stated. The break shut off the world's greatest gas field in the midst of an all time peak demand, yet there was no shortage of gas, officials said, because the pipe lines serving the local gas company are part of a thoroughly interconnected system.

"Never in the company's history was the temperature so uniformly low simultaneously throughout our entire system," said Elmer F. Schmidt, Dallas, operating manager of Lone Star Gas. "The gas requirements of the 300,000 homes we serve in Texas and Oklahoma jumped to a new all time peak, 25 per cent greater than for any other single day in the company's history. But despite the break not a man, woman or child suffered because of any failure in supply."

"The one thing standing between thousands of people and death or suffering was Lone Star's interconnected, integrated, thoroughly organized pipe line system. No one-way pipe line could have met this test. If our customers had been relying on a single production area, homes would have been without gas because of this break. But our 4,700 miles of pipe lines, interconnecting more than a thousand wells in over 40 separate fields, saved the day."

"As soon as warning was given of the break, two repair crews set out to locate it, one traveling south from Shamrock, Texas, the other north from Varnon. Though each crew had to travel more than 50 miles, much of the distance over frozen ground along the pipe line, they located the break in less than two hours, had it repaired in two more, and gas once more flowed through the line."

"Meanwhile the dispatcher rerouted gas from other fields to maintain uninterrupted service. When the break occurred, he ordered gate valves opened on the south end of the system near Groesbeck and Elm Mott, permitting gas from East Texas fields, which had previously been flow-

ing south from Waco, to move northward through lines running from Mexia and Waco to Cleburne. At the time gate valves were opened from the West Texas fields, which also had flowed south, to go eastward to Dallas and points northeast. By this means gas already in the Panhandle line was held in the line for use of the towns between the break and Fort Worth. The flow of gas over almost the entire system was reversed to meet the emergency.

"Brunt of our battle against the cold always falls on the gas dispatchers rush orders by private telephone to turn in more wells, increase pressures at compressor stations, and reroute gas when necessary, to protect homes, schools, and office buildings throughout this territory."

"Out in the gas fields, along the pipe lines, in compressor stations, and within the cities, our men have been working day and night during the cold weather. Many of them did not take their clothes off for three days at a stretch. Hundreds were up all night, operating gas wells and compressor engines and keeping guard over regulators at city limits and other mechanical devices to see that they did not freeze up. At remote spots on the system, men kept night-long vigils at measuring stations, watching pressures to give the dispatcher on duty instant warning if trouble occurred."

"The courage, loyalty and skill of these men stands back of our uninterrupted service to 300,000 homes during the recent cold weather. Years of planning and foresight and a huge investment in machinery and equipment have gone into building out facilities to meet the unprecedented demand we have just come through, a demand 600 to 700 times greater than on a summer day. Much of this great investment in equipment lies idle part of the time, waiting for the few days in the winter when it must be ready to function instantly."

"There are few systems in the United States that are designed to assure dependable and continuous service to their customers like the Lone Star Gas System."

Kansas recently joined Texas in declaring a closed season on prairie chickens.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. JENKINS

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 2 o'clock at the First Methodist church at Cisco for Mrs. Allie Smith Jenkins, 80, who died at her home Thursday.

The Rev. Joseph I. Patterson officiated, and pall bearers were Don Parker of Eastland, J. L. Thornton, L. C. Foster, R. L. Wilson, Roy Fonville and Lory Boyd.

Mrs. Jenkins, whose death came unexpectedly Thursday, was born in McIntosh, Louisiana, June 23, 1860. She was married to Charlie Buchanan Jenkins September 23,

1880. He preceded her in death July 8, 1938.

To this union were born six children, four boys and two girls, all of whom survive. They are: Mrs. Edgar Strickland, Cisco; W. D. Jenkins, Cisco; M. G. Jenkins, Tuscola; Mrs. C. E. Maule, San Antonio; J. B. Jenkins, Fort Worth, and L. S. Jenkins, Cisco.

A sister and brother, Miss Beatrix Smith and Will Smith, of Peacock, 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Green Funeral home.

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BRICK PAVED STREETS WILL BE IMPROVED

The first unit of the \$169,800 street paving project in Cisco will get under way by February 15, according to plans announced by the city Saturday. This unit which will be submitted to the regional office at San Antonio for an approval expected to be merely routine, since the entire project already has been okayed at Washington, will include:

Relaying of base and brick on D avenue south from 14th street to 22nd street; Sixth street from E avenue to Front; Seventh street from E avenue to Front, and Ninth street from E avenue to Front, and paving of Fifth street from E avenue to I street.

The last item requires the cooperation of property owners, because original pavement must be laid. The city does not assume responsibility for securing property owner participation, it was made clear. This is the responsibility of the property owners themselves.

The project, which will employ 125 men until June 31, will start on D avenue. There, as on Sixth, Seventh and Ninth streets, which are already paved, the bricks will be taken up, six inches of clay and gravel rolled in as a base and the brick relaid. Property owners will not be required to contribute.

On Fifth street, which has no paving, property owners will pay 70 cents per lineal foot. For this they will receive curbs and gutters and asphalt paving. The property owners must organize their own participation, the city, as stated, not taking any responsibility. As the program gets under way, it was explained, the property owners of the street, connecting with pavement already existing, may secure this pavement by paying the 70 cents per foot of frontage. These owners, however, must organize their own cooperation.

The WPA is standing 75 per cent of the cost of the project, the city and property owners the remaining 25 per cent.

The projects open opportunity for paving practically all unpaved streets in Cisco at a minimum of cost, it was pointed out.

Joe Wren, Abilene city superintendent, has been employed by the city to supervise the program.

Scene From "Prisoner At Bar"



COURT DRAMA AT METHODIST CHURCH FRIDAY

One of the most thrilling plays ever heard in court will be presented at the First Methodist church of Cisco, Friday night, February 2, when 21 prominent Cisco citizens from the Methodist churches present the widely heralded "murder trial" entitled, "Prisoner at the Bar." Trial begins promptly at 7:30 p. m.

The trial deals with a young man, Ralph Jones, who, under the influence of liquor has "killed" his wife, and left three motherless children. Mr. Jones is then "tried" for murder. The drama tells the story of the returned soldier, influenced by wet repeal propaganda and trapped by the modern liquor sales system. The prisoner, pleading for what he values more than life, the judge, torn between pity and duty, the attorneys, battling brilliantly for a life at stake, the finger print expert, the jury, spellbound by the gripping drama, are among the gripping incidents of this tremendously impressive and effective temperance play. The 21 local citizens who will assist in the trial are as follows:

Judge, Rev. Roy a Langston; prosecuting attorney, Hayward H. Johnson of Portland, Oregon; defense attorney, Rev. J. I. Patterson; prisoner's little daughter, Mary Philpott; sheriff, Sheriff Loss Woods; finger print expert (police dept.) Rev. G. Alfred Brown, Ph. D.; county clerk, Rev. P. W. Walker; star witness, Mrs. Leslie Hagaman; county bailiff, Judge Virgil T. Sedbury.

Suamoned on the jury: Asa Skiles, L. A. Warren, Rev. Luther Pryor, George R. Neil, John Tolerson, Dr. C. R. Gray, H. C. Henderson, Charlie Moad, O. L. Stanley, Frank Robinson, W. N. Byrd and W. R. Ussery.

Admission to the trial will be free. A voluntary offering will be taken. The trial is being sponsored by the churches throughout the state, and everyone is invited to attend. This is the first appearance of this trial in Cisco, and a large crowd is expected to fill the First Methodist church if the citizens of Cisco and near-by towns attend the drama as they have in other places. The trial has been given in Chicago, Washington, D. C., St. Louis, Minneapolis, Detroit, San Francisco, Los Angeles Kansas City, and many other cities before audiences as high as 8,500 people.

DECEMBER POSTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1939 GAIN OVER 1938

AUSTIN, Feb. 1.—Christmas packages piled a third more work on Texas postmen as December postal receipts shot nearly 35 per cent above those of November, the University of Texas bureau of business research has discovered.

Texas bought 2.2 per cent more stamps than during December a year ago, and their purchases for the entire year of 1939 totaled 5.5 per cent more than during 1938, complete reports from 45 Texas cities showed.

4 WELLS ARE COMPLETED IN EASTLAND AND STEPHENS COUNTIES DURING WEEK

Reports from Stephens and Eastland counties' oilfields Saturday showed completion of four wells, two of them dry, and three new locations.

In Eastland county, Hickok Producing and Development company No. 5 Grover Cleveland, seven miles northwest of Cisco, pumped 210 barrels of oil from pay 4,007-8 feet in Ellenburger lime. Total depth in the well, location of which is in section 477, SPRR survey, was 4,008, although the lime was topped at 3,994 feet. There was no water accompanying the oil.

In the same general part of the county, J. O. Fox and associates marked up a dry hole at total depth of 4,092 feet in their No. 1 R. B. Weddington, "B" lease, section 2054, TE&L survey. Ellenburger lime in the test was topped at 4,040 feet.

Another dry hole for Eastland county was T. S. Holder and others No. 1 J. F. Nichols, S. H. Hines survey, two miles southwest of Pioneer, at 3,175 feet.

Four and one-half miles south of Cisco, E. J. Keough and others No. 1 L. Walters, section 83, block 3, H&TC survey, was drilling at 800 feet.

Carbon Location

Two miles south of Carbon, Eastland county, Dobbs Oil corporation staked location for No. 1 H. D. Thomason, 330 feet from the west of the east one-half of the S. H. Key survey. The well will be a 2,700-foot test and is located 1,000 feet west of the Dobbs No. 1 Greer, a producer.

Other location in Eastland county was one in which the Dobbs Oil corporation is also the operator. The well will be the No. 1 Mrs. R. L. Poe, 660 feet from the south, 1,320 feet from the west, south-east one-fourth, section 37, block 3, H&TC survey. The well will be a 3,000-foot test and is five miles west of Carbon.

Completion for the county was George Fagg No. 1 Richardson, seven miles north of Caddo, which was finished for 200 barrels from a sandy lime, 3,940-44 feet, total depth.

Location for the county was Clyde Greathouse and others No. 1 J. J. Robertson, 468 feet from the north and west of the south one-fourth of the Porter Norton survey, which was moving in materials for a 3,600-foot rotary test one-half mile from Horwitz and Odom, flush production in the Dance pool.

Five miles west of Crystal Falls, one-half mile west of Horwitz and Odom production, Grace and Woods No. 1 George Beat, Bates survey, set seven-inch at 3,160 feet and was waiting on cement.

Steadman Petrol company No. 1 Powers, George York survey, one-half mile north of Horwitz and Odom production, was preparing to drill plug. Pipe was set at 3,542 feet, while total depth was 3,545 feet.

WANT A TITLE FOR A COLUMN?

PORT ANGELES, Wash., Feb. 1 (AP).—The Port Angeles claims its head for its Christmas contributions request column was most appropos.

The column, urging Port Angeles, by poem and pun, to come through with contributions to a Christmas fund for needy families, was entitled: "Friendly Blackmail."

The youngest person in "Who's Who in America" is Shirley Temple.

Sets Ski Mark



Torger Tolle straps on skis before leaping 195 feet for a new record in annual Norge Club meet at Cary, Ill. The Norwegian has won 14 straight victories since arriving in this country a year ago.

CITY POLL TAX MAY LOSE BAIRD VOTES

BAIRD, Feb. 1 (Sp).—Considerable dissatisfaction has been stirred here by the attorney general's ruling that city poll tax ordinances are valid. As a result of the opinion, Baird citizens desiring to vote in the primaries and general election must pay a city poll tax in addition to the county poll tax.

Some persons say the ruling will reduce Baird voting strength by 50 per cent. No other community in the county requires a city poll tax. A city commission suggested the city council meet immediately and repeal the ordinance.

Cauliflower was imported into England from Cyprus about 1603.

Plenty of Kick in These



Paul Wolf, Southern California national collegiate 100-yard freestyle champion, exhibits what closely describes the expression "flounder feet." The strange footgear was created by South Sea island natives to increase swimming speed.

ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION HIGHER

AUSTIN, Feb. 1 (Sp).—Electricity consumed by Texas commercial establishments, industrial concerns and homes during 1939 climbed 7.3 per cent above 1938 figures, University of Texas business statisticians have computed from reports of representative electric power companies.

Industrial needs continued to take more power than other users, and required 6.2 per cent more than in 1938. During December, industrial consumption rose 4.2 per cent over December a year ago, and dropped 8.6 per cent below November.

Commercial users boosted their consumption 10.2 per cent during 1939, and raised December consumption 8.2 per cent over December a year ago.

Residential consumption for the year gained 10.1 per cent, while for December it gained 8.1 per cent.

Total consumption in December stood 5.6 per cent above December, 1938, but 5.9 per cent under November, 1939, consumption.

The Cataphrygians of the second century baptized their dead.

EASTLAND C OF C GROUP TALKS SWEET POTATO

EASTLAND, Feb. 1 (Sp).—The possibility of the increase in sweet potato growing in Eastland county and their use through chemistry was discussed Monday afternoon at a meeting of the Eastland chamber of commerce projects committee.

The meeting was held at the chamber of commerce office, with H. J. Tanner, secretary-manager, presiding. One of the principal speakers was W. B. Starr of Cisco. Others present were T. P. Johnson, Assistant County Agent A. C. Pratt, and County Agent Elmo V. Cook.

THEY CLOSED WINDOW ON HIS CAREER

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—Richard G. Scott is so sure he can win money on the races that he has brought suit against Santa Anita racetrack for right of access to the betting windows. For reasons not explained, he charges, he was barred from the grounds.

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OLD POLITICAL PHRASES COME OUT OF STOPAGE

AUSTIN, Feb. 1.—Now that the time is high at hand when patriots will begin announcing for public office, those Siamese twins, "point and pride" and "view with alarm" will get another thorough working out, comments Boyce House, well known newspaper man. His observations continue:

"Innumerable manifestoes will begin: 'Yielding to the earnest solicitude of hundreds of friends'—(probably the only one urging the race in some cases is a brother-in-law who has been contributing to his support)—'I have reluctantly decided to make the sacrifice and run for—'

Everybody will come out in favor of "efficiency and economy." Why doesn't someone—just to be different—come out for "inefficiency and extravagance?" That's what it usually works out at, anyhow.

Of course, every candidate was born on a farm, or, if not, keeps quiet on the subject. They also come of "poor but honest parents." I never could understand the logic of the expression, "poor but honest"; why not, "poor and honest?"

Nearly every candidate will modestly admit he is a "self-made man." I never hear the expression but what I think about the bald-headed fellow who made that claim and a small boy asked, "Then, mister, why didn't you give yourself a little more hair?"

Of course, the candidate is "clean as a hound's tooth" and "as straight as a string." Most of them will proclaim a platform committing them to the "abolition of needless departments, bureaus and commissions" and think they have hit upon an idea as new as Columbus' discovery of North America. After being elected, many of these same candidates will try to get kinsfolk a job in those "needless departments, bureaus and commissions."

Each announcement will pledge the aspirant to "conduct a clean campaign, free of mud-slinging and personalities." However, down near the close there will be the promise to "let the chips fall where they may."

One thing about W. Lee O'Daniel's campaign in 1938, he gave folks something new with his slogan, "Pass the biscuits, pappy."

But I saw a sign on a cafe the

MOST NEW BUSINESSES HAVE SMALL CAPITAL.

AUSTIN, Feb. 1 (Sp).—Of the total of 1,419 new corporations granted charters to operate in Texas during 1939, only 43 were capitalized at more than \$100,000, the University of Texas bureau of business research revealed today.

The total number of charters granted was only 3 less than during 1938, but aggregate capitalization declined from \$28,165,000 to \$22,445,000.

Charters were granted during December to 114 new concerns, compared to 101 during November and 100 during December a year ago, while capitalization of new firms rose to \$2,532,000 compared to \$1,143,000 in November and \$1,787,000 in December, 1938.

Fifteen new manufacturing concerns were granted charters in December, 257 in 1939.

Twenty-three foreign corporations were granted permits to operate in Texas during December.

TEXAS CEMENT OUTPUT HIKED DURING 1939

AUSTIN, Feb. 1.—Texas cement plants turned out 900,000 barrels of cement during 1939, an increase of 4.7 per cent over 1938, University of Texas business research officials said today.

Plants throughout the country, however, sped production in 24.5 per cent ahead of 1938. December operations in Texas cement factories resulted in production of 547,000 barrels, shipments of 518,000 barrels. Production was 9.6 per cent under December, 1938, but 14.7 per cent ahead of November, 1938, while shipments dropped 11.3 per cent and 6.5 per cent from the comparable period.

Stocks on hand at the end of December stood at 911,000 barrels, compared with 822,000 barrels in November, and 781,000 barrels at the end of 1938.

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Jim Tully, the author, was educated at an orphan school.

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